

REMARKS

In view of the above amendment, the Applicants respectfully submit that the pending application is in condition for allowance.

At the outset, the Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the allowance of claims 52-54 and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 11-15, 36, 39-41, 44, 49-51 and 56.

In the present Amendment, the Applicants have canceled all claims rejected over the prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102 or 103 and have amended the claims to overcome the objections. Thus, all grounds of rejection are moot, and all grounds of objection have been overcome.

For the reasons set forth above, the Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance. Notice of such allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which can be overcome most easily through a telephone communication, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Please charge any deficiency in fees, or credit any overpayment thereof, to our Deposit Account No. 23-2185, under Order No. 000687.0355 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw. In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required and is either not filed herewith or insufficient to render the present submission timely, the Applicants respectfully petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to render the present submission timely. Any fee due is authorized above.

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Respectfully submitted,

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